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The phrase 'Eastern Christiane' is one frequent in word and writing, but has very often to better defined a meaning than the nuch-raisapplied names of 'Turks' and 'Araba' raisapplied names of 'Turks' and 'Araba.' Still the phrase is a symbol; and many who, were they asked what 'Esstern Christians really are, might be very much purnied to define them with anything like accuracy, have yet a roberably precise idea of what they themselves mean by that name. Something on Mahometan ground, but antagonistic to Mahometanism and Mahometan traditions, something asympathetic with Europe and the modern West, an element of progress, a germ of civilisation, a beam of day-dawn, a promise of better things.

Is it really so? And first, who and what are these Eastern Christians?

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are these Eastern Christians?
In matter of nationality, it is well to begin by laying down, where possible, certain geographical limits. Accordingly, for the subject now in hand, we will, at our final start, exclude India, Persia, Asiatic Russia, China, and their adjacent kingdoms or sub-kingdoms, and we will take for the field of 'Eastern Christians' that conducted withing the control Christians' that conducted within the ern Christians' that contained within the bounds of the East Turkish Empire, and bounds of the East Turkish Empire, and Egypt; to this last we may not unsuitably add Abyssinia. 'Ask, where's the North? At York, 'Its at the Tweed,' said Pope. And where's the East? might have no exacter answer. Be our 'Esst' on this occasion limited by Persa; with Eussia on the north, the Mediterranean on the west, and so the south whatever African lands new Bortons and Spekes may yet discover. Even after this marrowing, our range will be wide enough.

But wide though it be, still wider and stranger in its specific variety is the great 'Eastern Christian' genus included within it. We must, therefore, classify and sub-classify a little for clearness' sake.

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The first class may consist of the Entychian Monophysite, or anti-Chairedonian school. Of the special dogmas or ritualistic peculiarities implied by these titles our readers may very possibly be ignorant, at least in part, nor would it much advantage them to learn. Laying aside therefore, the investigation of microscopic diversities in ceremony or belief—a tedions habour, and of no general interest—it will suffice for our purpose to note that the above denominations indicate a class of Christians hating Greeks, Greek Church government, and all that perfains thereto, wurse than polson; hating also all Westerns, Catholics or Protestants, very sincerely, but with a less violent form of hatrod; hating Mahometans also not a lettle, yet less than the dissident of their Christian brethren.

Now this class comprises four sub-classes, manely, Coopts, Armenians, Abyssinians, and Syrians. Of these, the Copts have their prin-

Syrians. Of these, the Copts have their principal Ashbat in Egypt, Upper and Lower, though they may be found not unfrequently in Syria also; the Abysshians are limited to the country which their name implies; the Amenians own for bend quarters the eastern Armenianes own for been quarters the eastern half of Asia Minor, or Anatolia, with the Taurus; they are also to be met with in large communities throughout all the great towns and communities carters of the regions already indicated; the Syrians are, for the most part, inhabitants of Syria proper, especially north of Damascus. Besides their general haired of outsiders, Mahometan or non-Mahometan, these for the proper and the second of the second these four sub-classes have a mutual sub-ha-

contribers. Anhometan or non-Mahometan, these four sub-classes have a murinal sub-haired of each other, varying, however, in intensity and degree.

A second class of 'Eastern Christians' is the Nestorian, or anti-Ephesian sect. Here again we need not protong the examination of distinctive rights or tenets; it may be enough to say that the more special haired of these Nestorians is directed against the Greeks; they bear also a fair haired against Mahometans and Westerns in general. There is no sub-class here; all are alias Nestorians or Chaldenns, though the first appellation is more commonly given to the Inhabitiants of the Kurdistan mountains, the latter to their co-religionists who dwell lower down in the Tigro-Euphrates valley towards Bagdad. A few Nestorians are also scattered about Syria. A third and a very important class comprises those belonging to the orthodox, or Greek, or Chalcedonian formula. None are better hates than these; in extent their hatred is correlative with the hatreds of those already commented, but in intensity it automates. correlative with the hatreds of those already commended, but in intensity it surpasses them. This class is divided into two subclasses, namely, Phanariot Greeks and Russianized Greeks. Of these, the first are to be met with in good numbers everywhere throughout Asiatic Turkey; their head-quarters are between in the workers seated Inters are, however, in the western part of Anatolia, and the islands of the coast. The se-cond, much less unmerous, exist chiefly in Eastern Austolia; sheltered or attracted by the close proximity of the Russian frontier. The fourth class consist of 'Eastern Chris-The fourth class consist of 'Eastern Chris-tiams' who, while retaining their special ri-tualistic peculiarities, profess obedience to the See of Rome; they are sometimes called also 'Meichite,' or 'United.' These rejoice in five sub-classes—Greek, Armenian, Strian, Chaidean, and Coptic, each with the prefix 'united,' and each corresponding in geogra-phical and other circumstances with their som-united namesakes, for whom they reserve their cholicest hate, though with a tolerwhie-rheir cholicest hate, though with a tolerwhie-

son united namesakes, for whom they reserve their choicest hate, though with a tolerable superabundance of it for each other; also for Mahometans somewhat; less for Westerns. The fifth class contains the well-known Maronites of Mount Lebander, colonies of whom may also be found throughout Syria and Lower Egypt. Boman Catholics in creed, and partly so in rite, they smypathise best of all with the Westerns; for all others their haireds coincide with those above enumerated.

The sixth class comprises native 'Eastern Christians,' who have adopted not only the creed and obscience, but also the peculiar creed and observers, but also the peculiar rites of Rome. These abound most in the Cyprus, and in what once was Palestine; a few may also be seen wherever a Franciscan convent can support a mendleant fellowing. These last are of no importance, either mor-ally, intellectually, or numerically; the mere Persons of their rese

rishs of their race. We have thus fourteen distinct species of the "Eastern Christian" genus; each distinct from, and each antagonistic to, the other. This number may suffice us; nor need we ex-tend for the present our researches and our sympathics among certain curious Eastern sects, or nationalities; Christian in their origin, but having slove developed into strange forms, hardly compatible with the received type of Christianity, though still widely un-like Mahometanism. Such are the Yezzedis of Mesopotamia, the Anseyreeyeh of North-ern Syria, and the Sabasans or extreme Chal-dress. Their condition and tendencies merit deans. Their condition and tendencles merit investigation, but they lie apart from our

actual subject.

Nor, indeed, should we have run through this long catalogue of classes and sub-classes, were the lines of demarcation merely dogmatic or ritualistic. In such case it might have been enough to admit to the title of "Eastern Christians" all matters of the East who access been enough to admit to the tritle of 'Eastern Christians' all matives of the East who accept the Gospel, after one fashion or another, and reject the Koran. But these differences of rite and dogma, seemingly so neimportant, are, in reality, the surface-lines of deep elefts that centuries can not obliterate; they are demarkations of descent and nationality, of blood and spirit. Each so-called sect is in fact a little nation by itself, with its own special bearings and tendencies, social and political, not to be regarded in the same light, piaced on the same level, or treated with on the same principles as the nearest sect beside it.

Distinct conditions imply distinct relations; the latter are, or ought to be, determined by the former. We should do well, accordingly, before we rush into an embrace of general sympthy with our "Eastern Christian" brethren in a heap, to inspect them closer, class by class; since thus we may learn with whom we have to deal, what we have to arrove from them Christians, all natives of the East who accept

learn with whom we have to deal, what we have to expect from them, and they from us. We will begin with those whose name has the widest exho on Western ground, the most talked of, and in some respects the best known of "Eastern Christians—the Greeks."

No name has created greater interest, or embodied brigatter hopes. Three causes have contributed to this popularity. First, their claim of descent, or at least of kinsmanahip of immertality in the Gelestial Empire. learn with whom we have to deal, what we

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of that ancient nation to which we owe so much in civilization, literature and art. Next, their Christianity, supposed to bave special points of affinity to our own. And, thirdly, because, rigotly or wrongly, they are regarded as containing in themselves, more than any other "Eastern Christians," the vitalising element of progress. In England, the first consideration has, pertupe, served them best; in France, the second; in Europe, generally, the third.

There is little profit in trying to form an estimate of a people's worth by vague generalizations, and from a distance. We will try a neaver, and, so far as possible, an individual acquaintance; and to do this, let us all go together and pay a visit to a Greek dwelling house, be it at Recrout, Trebisond, Damasens, or Alexandria. It shall be a house belonging to one of the better, that is the richer, class; for Greek society, in Aslatic Turkey at least, acknowledges no distinction based on superior nobility or origin, rank or talent; the sole discrimination is the drachma. We mean among the laity; for the clergy form a band apart, and their position is chiefly regulated by hierarchical precedence.

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We stand before the bonse: Its style, which presents a certain approximation to the mod-ern French street architecture; the number and symmetrical arrangement of its windows, and a general took of cenomical neatness dis-tinguish it at first eight from a Mahometan, tinguish if at first eight from a Mahometan, or even from an Armenian dwelling. Lucky for us if his eagerness to mimite European fashions has not incuced the master of the house to act up a closed outside door, with a delusive bell a' which we puil and pull in vain, for a good quarter of an hour; it being much more easy to organize a European bell than European punctuality in attendance on it.

At last, we are within the small, bare garden, jor whatever uses aprient Greeks may

don, -for whatever uses ancient Greeks may have made of flowers, their now a days rep-rescutstives have little floral taste, -and are met at the dwelling entrance by a slatternly, harefeoted maid of all-work, who, being exbarefooted maid-of-all-work, who, being ex-pected, on inadequate or unpaid wages, to look after everything in the large bouse, takes her revenges by looking, so much as in their looking at all. Sparious in their buildings, costly in their dress, Greeks are miserably parsimonious in what regards servants; their short-sighted selfishness does not comprehend community of interest with others. In this respect, they offer a striking contrast to the Turks, with their numerous retinues. A second consumence of Greek contrast to the Turks, with their numerous retinues. A second consequence of Greek economy is the employment of female domestics, rather than male, because cheaper. We inquire after the master of the house, Dimitri Agathopytos, be It; the burefooted Hebe scuttles off to announce us. Possibly the door of the room where Dimitri is scated, opens out on the entrance-passage, and we may thus allow ourselves the benefit of hearing the announcement. This, Thekia does by informing her master that some "dogs of Europeans" are waiting on him. No particlar disrespect is meant to us by the canine denomination, for the Greeks have no other name for Europeans, that is, when mentioning denomination, for the Greeks have no other name for Europeans, that is, when mentioning them among themselves. English, French, all who took part in the Greek War of Independence, all who furnished the hitherto annual, nor ever to be paid, loan, are alike "dogs." It is only fair, however, to say that Russlans are toot herein included, possibly because not held, in the East, for Europeans. But the most enthusiastic Phihelienc, even Mr. John Skinner himself, are, to their Greek protegra "dogs," along with the rest.

Well, the "dogs," who, however, will to their faces be rather more respectfully titled, are admitted into the purior, sitting room, or divan. The room and its furnishings have something of an European character, and something of an Eastern, being admitty managed so as best to miss the comfort of either. Rows of weak-limbed, cushionless chairs, little unmeaning tables, at best only either. Rows of weak-limbed, cushionless chairs, little unmeaning tables, at best only fit for supporting a tray of glasses and Corneca, or for card-playing, divans pared down to their narrowest and most inconvenient expression; much cleanliness, however, for the dust in the out-of-the-way corners is the result, not of willful nuneatness, but of insufficient services: such is the apartment. On the walls, a looking-glass, a portrait, (a two-penny half-penny one.) of King George; another of some defunct Greek patriarch, now elevated to the dignity of saint or martyr; and possibly a third, representing three brigand-heroes who came to violent end in the Greec-Terkish war; these, with a few colored French priots of fancy female characters, of questionable moral tendency, fill up the spaces on the wall.

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Dimitri rises to receive as. Not so, the burly, busby-bearded figure, wrapped up busdle-wise in dark cloth and fur linings, that, half-crouching, half-reclining, occupies the uppermost corner of the divant. It is an archbishop, one who never fails in his visits of pastoral inquiry to the fat lambs of his fack, and of these the wealthy Dimitri is one. The muffled archiepiscopal head slightly inclines in acknowledgment of our salute. Dimitri, himself, is a middle aged man, rather thin, sallow, with brown eyes, brown hair, Dimitri, himself, is a middle aged man, rather thin, sailow, with brown eyes, brown hair, clove-shaven face, and an intelligent and pleasing expression of features. Near him, in brisk conversation, are seated, (for why should not our fancy people the room no less than construct it?) two other Greeks, merchants also, and natives born of the place; a third, worse-dressed, thin and hungry-looking, is at a little distance. His clothes and appearance announce him for one come from a distance; in fact, he is a volunteer patriot, or brigand, just arrived from Crete. We take our places next the master of the house, the other Greeks politely exchanging their seats on the divan for the rickety chairs; the Archbishop, of course, remains immovathe Archbishop, of course, remains immova-ble. The customary compliments are ex-changed; and cigarcites, less expensive than the wasteful Turkish chibouk, or the Persian naryheciah, are passed around, or perhaps omitted. A little later, one of the females of the house—wife, it may be, or daughter— will expect a smile of unmember expensite. will appear, a smile of unmeaning generality on her face, and in her hands a silver tray, with sweetmeats; of which every one takes an infinitesimal portion. Perhaps another lady—a sister-in-law, or the like—comes in at the same time, with the same general smile the same account to prettimes and

lady—a sister-in-iaw, or the like—comes in at the same time, with the same general smile, the same approach to prettiness, and the same want of grace; but as the ladies only talk modern Greek, of which language our party may be supposed ignorant, their stay is not long. Coffee may, or may not, be served; it is not de rigueur, as amonig the Turks or Arabs.

Conversation opens, and the first question put by our host, at the whispered suggestion of the Archbishop, is about Crete. Before we have even had time for an answer, the other Greeks present jolls in the inquiry. They are all Turkish subjects, grown up and fostered life-long under Turkish rule; men ou whom difference of race and of religion has never entailed a serious disability or burden; on the contrary, it has exempted them from inany a load borne uncomplainingly by their Mahometan fellow countrymen. However, they do not arow, they proclaim by the very terms of their longing, their entire and active sympathy with the Cretans, that is, with rebels against their own Government; and they go or rapidly, for the agaility of the Greek towers. with rebels against their own Government, and they go on rapidly, (for the agility of the Greek tongae is marvelous,) to boldly expressed hopes for the near arrival of the moment when not only Crete, but the whole Roumelian territory, with Constantinople Itself, shall belong to the Greeks. To the accomplishment of which ends they, the Greeks, alone and unaided, are fully equal. So runs the discourse. However, the Europeans in general are much to be blanned for not joining in a general crusade for the destruction of the Turks and the restoration of the Greeks to their capital. Meanwhile, Russian co-operation is spoken of as certain; indeed, the Russian Emperor is often entitled "our Sovereign," or "the Sovereign," par coolinear; though, after all, even he is not to have Constantinople for the price of his cooperative labors; that belongs clearly to the Greeks alone.

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WITH NEATNESS AND DISPATCH

Ex-PRESIDENT FILLBORE AND RABON HUM-Buffale Ex-President Fillmore made the fol-

no.nr. At the centennial commemorative in Buffalo Ex-President Fillmore made the following narvation:

I have been requested by the Committee of Arrangements to relate my interview with Barren Humboldt, and with some reluctance I have consented to do so; but it must necessarily compel me to be a little more egotistical than I could desire, and I fear that more will beexpected than I can give.

In 1833, While travelling in Europe, I unexpectedly met Baron Gerlot, at Bonn, on the Rhine, who had so ably represented the Prussian Government at Washington, and he inquired of me if I intended to visit Berlin, and I told him I did; and he kindly tendered me a letter of introduction to Baron Humboldt, which I gratefully accepted, expecting, however, wething more than the priviledge of looking at an octogenarian who had accounted the Peak of Teneriffe, and from its diray height marked the time that it took the disk of the son to rise above the horizon, and who had traced the Orinceo River through savage wilds and burning heats to its source; and scaled the Andes and ascended the Chimborano to the height of nearly 20,000 feet, and whose name had been intimately associated with the advancement of science for more than half a century. I folt that it would be a satisfaction to look upon such a man and mark his lineaments and bear him converse. Accordingly when I arrived in Berlin, I inquired if Baron Humboldt had a residence there and was informed that he had, and I sent my courier with my letter of introduction and address, inquiring when it would be convenient to receive a call from me; but my messenger returned with information that the Baron was at Potsering the information that the Baron wa quiring when it would be convenient to receive a call from me; but my messanger returned with information that the Baron was at Potsdam, 18 miles distant, and I concluded, that I should not see him until I visited Potsdam, but to my surprise, just as I had finished my breakfast the next morning, Baron Humboldt was announced. My letter and address had been sent to him the evening before, and he had come down purposely to meet me, and he received me with a cordiality that put me entirely at my case. He was then 86 years old, tall and stoutly built, with a strongly marked German countenance, his hair white and thin, slightly stooping in the shoulders, with his chin nearly resting upon his bosom as he stood, but of a most benign and venerable aspect and commanding dignity. The portrait which hangs there, painted by Mr. Selstedt, is a very good likeness.

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Although he spoke the English language, yet it was with some difficulty that I could understand him, as he spoke with an accent, and the loss of his teeth had evidently impaired his power of enunciation. After a short conversation, learning that I had just arrived in the city. the city, he proposed at once to accompany me to see the chief objects of interest, and in spite of my protestations that I could not ask such a favor, he spent most of the day in showsuch a favor, he spent most of the day in showing me about the city and pointing out the chief curinsities. You may well conclude that for a man of his age he was very active, and he seemed to take as much interest in everything as though he was but 50 and was looking at them for the first time. Some few days after I returned his call, and found him occapying rooms assigned him by the king in one of his palaces at Potsdam, and he was engaged in reading the last proofs of his Kosmos. I asked him if it had been translated into English as far as completed. He caid it had. I inquired if he had seen the translation, and he said he had and it was very good. Though inquired if he had seen the translation, and he said he had and it was very good. Though aitting by a table, I observed that when he wrote, he wrote upon his knee, and as I remarked the singularity, he said that he had been compelled so much of his life to use his knee for a writing table that the habit had rendered it natural and easy. He spoke with interest of his journey through the United States in 1794, and of his visit to President Jefferson. The room which he occurised was evidently

Excussion on the Pacific Ocean.—In about six weeks the North Pacific Transportation Company will despatch their steamer Pucific on a pleasure excursion with about one hundred and seventy pleasure seekers. The steamer will proceed hence to Montery, San Luis, Obisbo, Pan Pedro, San Diego, Cataline Island, Cape St. Lucas, La Paz, up the Gulf of California to Guaymas, thence to Maratlan and Mauranillo, and from there to the Hawaiian Islands, storeping several days at Honoia. iian Islands, stopping several days at Hono-iuln. The party will be absent from San Francisco come eight or ten weeks, and afford the excertionists an excellent opportunity to see all the novelties at the places visited.

THE following advertisement has attracted our attention, and we give the proprietors of the mixture, preparation, or whatever else it may

be, the benefit of our circulation -gratis: "Twirenise of the hands; crawling sensa-tions all down the back; starting half out of your boats at the slightest noise; entire futility in collection of thoughts or connection of ideas, in confection of thoughts or connection of mean, is quite confusing to the man who is abliged to sign checks, post books, handle, and count with expedition, cash; and, to such we would recommend the tranquillizing "Excellent," prepared by Barry a Patten."

It would appear as though one afficied with all these symptoms would do well to omit his allowance of whiskey.

RUSSIAN RAILROADS .- All the comforts are RINGAN KALLHOADS.—All the comforts are not monopolized by Americans, as will be seen by the following extract from a St. Petersburg correspondent of the Boston Herald:

The railway and enstems officials in Russia will put to shame those of any country we have yet visited. Our route, of near two thousand miles, through this so-called "earage" country to the time of writing, has been but one miles, through this so-called "savage" country up to the time of writing, has been but one continued scene of politic refinement and attention to our wants. The railway cars are simply travelling palaces—there is nothing like them in the world. The track is laid in a surpassingly substantial manner. The Emperor, in his special train, does not travel with more comfort than ourselves. Our saloon, in one carse, was ten feet square, with couches, tables private cabinets, etc. If you wish to go to bed, you go up stairs; on the second story only are the chambers. In the morning you make your toilet as at home. The stations are splendidly the chambers. In the morning you make your toilet as at home. The stations are splendidly fitted up, the tables loaded with all kinds of estables and drinkables; the stops are frequent; the speed not over twenty-five miles per hour; so that you are not whirled through these year spaces and endless praries with lighting speed, but have not only time to see the country, but to excetch your legs from time to time on the platforms. In fact, you become enamored with the way they do these things in Russia.

A COUNTRY lawyer in Illinois recently objected to the testimony of a witness on the sole ground that he was actitizes of Chicago. The lawyer maintained that the general reputation of Chicago people was so had that it ought to be a prima facie cause of disqualification as a witness, and claimed that any one so offering himself might to prove that his charecter was better than that of the mass of Chicago people. This joke is taken seriously by Chicago papers, which show great indignation at the hit.—Boston Duily Advertiser.

A Cleveland Brewer undertook suicid vat of his beer, but his wife pulled him o saved the beer.